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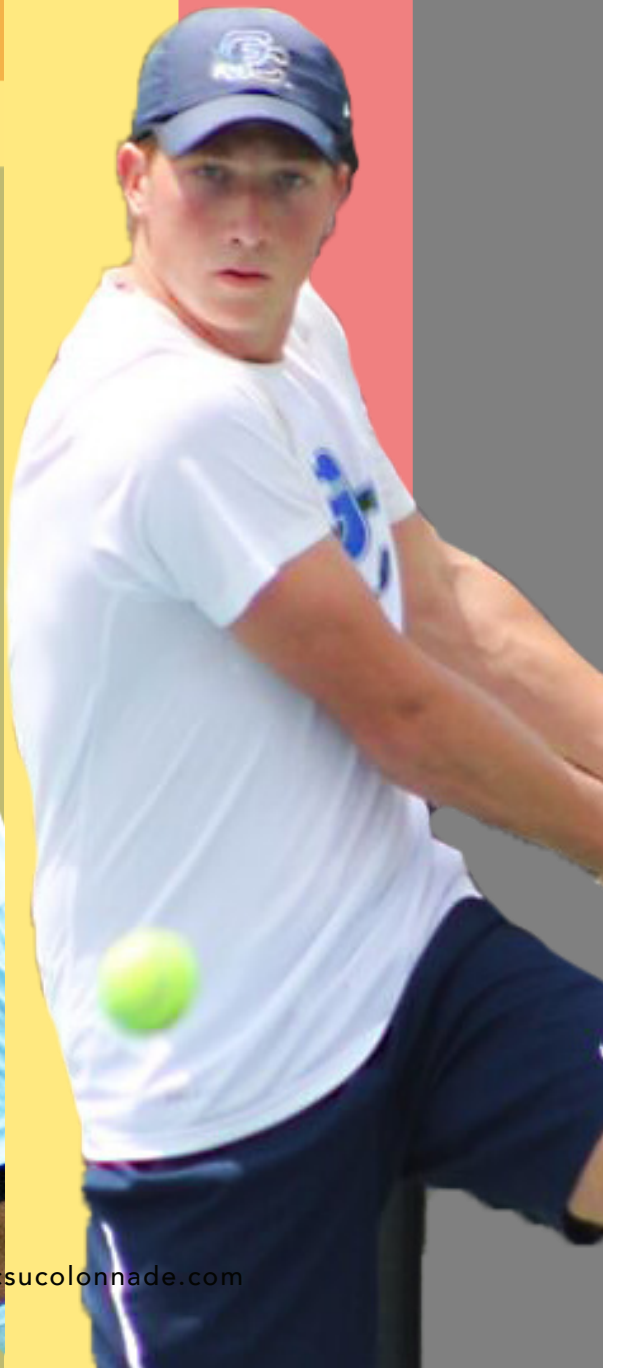
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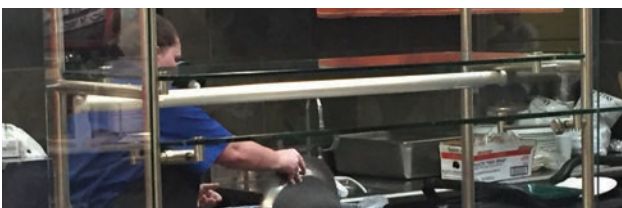
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In The Colonnade issue published on Thursday, Oct. 5, the News section contained an article incorrectly stating that Georgia College students taking any STEM course would receive a 0.5 point boost on their GPAs. In reality, the 0.5 point GPA boost only applies to students taking introductory STEM classes, meaning 1000 to 2000 level courses, and is not limited to STEM majors but applies to any student taking such an introductory level STEM course

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The MAX to combat food waste with new program

The GC Office of Sustainability Campus Kitchens program will use untouched MAX food waste to provide meals to locals in need



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The MAX throws away about 200 pounds of the roughly 500 pounds of food prepared each day for the students who eat at the dining hall.

**Kaylin
Martinko**
Staff Writer

Every day, several hundred students, faculty and staff rotate through The MAX, completely unaware of the amount of food left untouched at the end of the night.

They set their plates on the conveyor belt which takes the waste to be sorted and composted. But once the dining hall closes for the night, the untouched food is tossed in the trash and forgotten. This cycle continues day after day.

"The MAX recycles some food, but they throw away a lot, too," said Jimmy James, employee of The MAX.

According to Stacey Gibson of Sodexo, the company that operates The MAX, an average of 500 pounds of food is prepared throughout a single day. Of that 500 pounds, 200 pounds are tossed into the trash at the end of the night.

"Only post-consumer waste, or the food that is left on your plate, is used for composting," Gibson said. "The food that is untouched is thrown away."

Only the food that the dining hall visitors throw away is taken to be composted and used for beneficial purposes. These composted materials are used for soil and fertilizer, and they help create a more organic farming process.

However, the majority of the food thrown away is untouched and therefore unusable in compost. The post-consumption waste gets priority because of the logistics of composting such a large amount of food.

"We're hoping in the future to increase our [composting] efforts, so we are diverting 100% of The MAX's waste to compost," said Kristen Hitchcock from the Office of Sustainability at Georgia College.

The MAX has previously not had an initiative to give their untouched, leftover food to homeless shelters or soup kitchens due to the complication of making sure the food is cooked properly once it reaches the kitchens.

"There are liabilities involved," Gibson said. "If someone got sick because they ate a meal that we provided, that is a liability on our end. We want to be sure that when the food leaves our facility that it is prepared properly."

One student, sophomore Alianna Phillipps-Kow, assumed that The MAX had already been giving all of its leftovers to the hungry.

"I thought that the food kitchen program was already started," Phillipps-Kow said. "That's something they really need to start up."

Recently, students involved with the Office of Sustainability at Georgia College are attempting to begin a program that will bring The MAX's leftovers to a shelter or kitchen in a safe and efficient manner.

The program, named Campus Kitchens, is a national

organization that provides meals to those who cannot afford it. The main purpose of Campus Kitchens is to transport pre-made meals from The MAX to a site and prepare them there.

Hitchcock said that the student volunteers working with Campus Kitchens are required to be trained in how to heat and cook food in a way that guarantees safety.

GC's Campus Kitchens will operate out of the Life Enrichment Center on North Jefferson Street.

"A health inspector has gone to the LEC and made sure that, yes, they can receive the food, and they have a place that the students can prepare it," Hitchcock said.

Cool Kitchens will do what Sodexo and The MAX are unable to do. They will ensure the safety and health of the food prepared and put forth regulations about cooking the food The MAX provides. This way, The MAX will not have to throw away untouched food and food kitchens can receive already prepared food.

"This [Campus Kitchens] is good for student involvement on campus, but also for helping students get out into the community and meet people in the community," Hitchcock said. "We're hoping to bridge the gap there. We're also hoping that the untouched food being thrown away won't be an issue, and that, with Campus Kitchens, it will be going to people in the community who need it."

Campus Kitchens is currently being approved on the GC Campus and should be in operation by Spring 2018.

Alternative break brings relief to Irma victims

**Ada
Montgomery**
Digital Media Editor

The GIVE Center and the Milledgeville Life Enrichment Center (LEC) hosted their first annual alternative fall break this semester, with 27 students, parents and adults with disabilities—also called consumers—traveling to the Georgia coast to participate in a Hurricane Irma relief service project.

The trip to St. Simon's Island and Jekyll Island consisted of game nights, a visit to The Sea Turtle Center, beach trips, service and most importantly, GC students getting to know the consumer they were partnered with over the weekend.

The Milledgeville Life Enrichment Center is a private nonprofit program for adults with intellectual disabilities living in and around the Baldwin County area, according to its mission statement.

The service project was the first time many of the GC students and LEC consumers had met and worked together.

"To see them know and understand that what they are doing is making a difference and makes it worthwhile because yes, everyone is excited for the beach, but the service is what is making the impact," said junior Carrigan Flotlin, a GIVE Center Leadership Manager.



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GC students and LEC volunteers run into members of The Royal Navy on the last day of the trip.



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The service project took place at a house that had been flooded by Hurricane Irma as it moved across the Georgia coast.

"We did get close to a foot of water inside the house which means we lost all of the furniture that was downstairs, unfortunately," said homeowner Dianne Mines.

The destruction Irma brought to this family shocked the volunteers, but that did not stop any of them from putting hard work in for the afternoon.

"This happened practically all around the state, so having good people without belongings to call their own just really dampens the mood, and it's just terrible to think about," said senior Brett Chandler, LEC Volunteer.

The homeowners said they were extremely thankful for the hours the volunteers put in to help clean up the damage, and the consumers from the LEC said they knew they made a difference in the lives of these homeowners.

For many of these individuals, it was their first time taking a trip like this.

Dee Weimer, an LEC consumer, said that helping others and giving back was one of her favorite parts of the trip.

Most of the trip's cost was funded by a grant with the AWS foundation and the Creative Enrichment Center. The Creative Enrichment Center is a branch of the Life Enrichment Center that serves those who live in their own community with their own families.

Volunteers are welcome to serve with these consumers after having registered with the GIVE Center.

Barbara Coleman, director of the Life Enrichment Center, said she was thrilled to have college students along for the ride.

"It's an opportunity for a lot of worlds to come together to me," Coleman said. "When we have an opportunity to partner up with the college and college students, we have an opportunity to educate students individually, and each person has an opportunity to have an experience...to bond with the individuals."

Eventually, similar alternative spring and fall break trips could soon be open to any member of the GC community who is registered as a volunteer with the GIVE Center and the Life Enrichment Center.

"In the future, it is something that will be open to the campus as a whole," said Kendall Stiles, founder and director of the GIVE Center. "This year we kind of hand selected people from the class or individuals we knew [who] had worked with special needs to make sure everything worked out."

While fostering connection between LEC consumers and GC students while making a positive impact on the lives of Irma victims, the trip laid a foundation for future similar alternative breaks.



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GC and LEC volunteers begin to remove piles of sheet rock and other debris from the yard.



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Cindy Munn, Kendall Stiles, Cheryl Folsom and Barbara Coleman carry one of the many damaged items from the house to the street to be thrown out.



Ada Montgomery / Senior Photographer

Kevin Kuen and Amy Mathis enjoy exploring Downtown St. Simons.



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LEC Volunteers Terry Russell and Brett Chandler carry bigger items from the home that other volunteers could not move.

President Dorman announces new GC fundraising program



Photos by Senior Photographer Ada Montgomery

President Steve Dorman and accompanying Georgia College faculty announced GC's new fundraising campaign on Monday, Oct. 16. The campaign, entitled "Follow your passion. Find your Purpose," has already raised \$20,346,304 during the silent phase and has a goal of \$30,000,000 by 2020. The GCSU Foundation Inc. will provide matching funds up to \$100,000.

Letter from the editors

Dear Georgia College Community,

The Colonnade does its best to pursue the truth and provide accurate news to the Georgia College community and beyond. Unfortunately, we have learned that a story entitled published in Sept. 6 Colonnade issue contained fabricated information, including quotes.

We apologize to Jake Lawson, Thomas Hodges, coach Patrick Garrett, the Club on Lake Sinclair and David Franklin. To prevent this from happening in the future, we will be more diligent in our fact checking and verification of sources in our editorial processes.

We understand the magnitude of our responsibilities as journalists and will continue to hold ourselves to the highest ethical and legal standards. The Colonnade staff welcomes all feedback. If you have questions, comments or concerns, please email thegcsucolonnade@gmail.com

Sincerely,

The Colonnade Editorial Board

THIS WEEK AT GC

A calendar of events

Visiting Artist Lecture
Wed. Oct. 18th @ 5:30 p.m.
Ennis Hall 017

Trey Hill is a professional sculptor and associate professor at The University of Montana where he teaches both ceramics and sculpture. He will talk about his artistic process and show images of his projects.



GC Habitat for Humanity Benefit Concert
Thurs. Oct. 19th @ 10 p.m.
Buffingtons

Live performances from Chuck Taylor & The Spoon and Burnt Bridges will raise funds for the Habitat for Humanity Baldwin County's house builds that they are currently working on. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door.



Observatory Public Night
Fri. Oct. 20th @ 8 p.m.
Herty Hall 405

The GC observatory will be open to view the night sky sights of the current month. In the event of rain or cloudy skies, the observatory session will be canceled and a presentation will be offered in the Georgia College Planetarium located in the Natural History Museum.



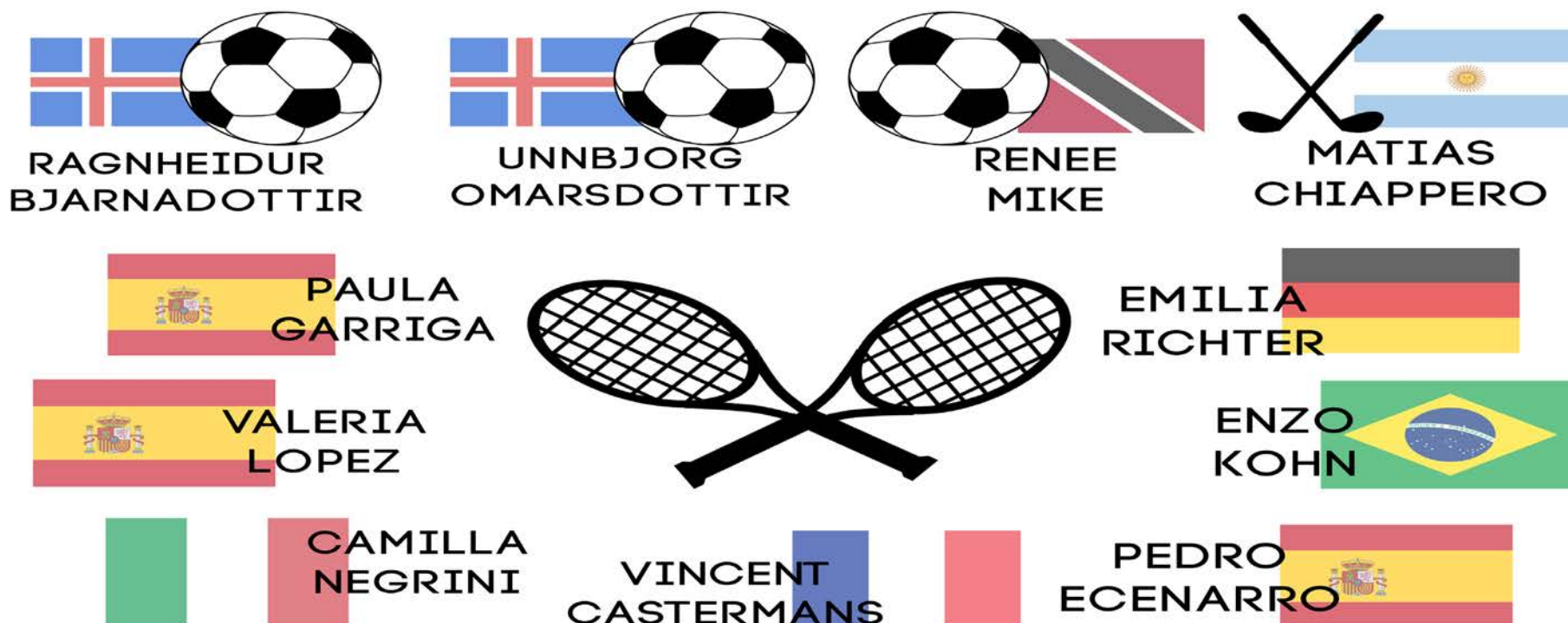
GC Golf Alumni & Friends Scramble
Sat. Oct. 21st @ 11 a.m.
The Club at Lake Sinclair

Open to all interested golfers, the tournament costs \$125 per person and includes a luncheon, golf, beverages and raffle tickets.



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International recruiting a big part of athletic success



Designed by Kristen Pack

**Chris
Lambert**
Co-Sports Editor

Georgia College has 11 international athletes between three of its varsity programs. The athletes range from Iceland to Italy and have contributed to the success of GC athletics for some time.

Most international athletes end up at GC by word-of-mouth recruiting with efforts to further their athletic careers while also attending university, an option not available to many athletes in their home country.

Junior Matias Chiappero, a member of the golf team, from Rafael, Argentina, came to GC after only starting to play golf at age 16.

Chiappero says he chose GC on the recommendation of Nicolas Falkinoff, a fellow Argentinean who played for GC at the time.

"The biggest adjustment I had was getting used to the southern drawl," Chiappero said. "Most of my teammates had it so badly, I would just sit there and stare at them when they talked. I couldn't understand them."

Head coach of the golf team Patrick Garrett said that while international athletes are a major part of the athletic program, it has been waning in recent years.

"It has been harder and harder to get recruits," Garrett said. "They all are out-of-state students, so getting the money right and keeping a competitive offer

isn't as easy as it used to be."

Garrett echoed the sentiments of other athletic department officials, saying, "Georgia College really puts an emphasis on the 'holistic approach' to recruiting, you know, creating that well rounded student-athlete."

Steve Barsby, head coach of both the men's and women's tennis teams, said that while academics come first, it is important to remember that athletes want to come to a program that is complete.

"You know, for the women's team we try to push it as a program that competes nationally, that has been to the NCAA tournament 23 years in a row," Barsby said. "I believe we're the best academic university in the conference, but we make it a point to compete athletically as well."

GC women's soccer also has three international athletes: Ragnheidur Bjarnadottir and Unnbjorg Omarsdottir, both from Iceland, and Renee Mike, from Trinidad.

Athletes from Spain, Italy, France, Brazil and Germany also play other sports for the Bobcats.

Junior Paula Garriga, a tennis player from Centelles, Spain, transferred to GC from the University of New Orleans.

"It was just the vibe here," Garriga said. "My English wasn't the best, but I just really liked the vibe at Georgia College."



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Scott MacLeod: The Voice of the Bobcats



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Scott MacLeod, pictured here with color commentator Darrell Black, does the post-game recap at a recent Baldwin County football game.

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Graham Hill
Staff Writer

When it comes to GC sports, there is one name that stands out above the rest as a true legend. A name that has become synonymous with talent, class, dedication, humility and kindness. A name and a voice that has given the Georgia College athletics department a sense of identity, and that name is Scott MacLeod, a GC hall-of-fame broadcaster.

Through school name changes, mascot changes

and even a change in division, MacLeod has persevered through it all.

MacLeod has been broadcasting for Georgia College for nearly 40 years, beginning in 1978 with his coverage of the men's baseball team. MacLeod has been a staple of the Georgia College sports community, and to this day, he loves doing it. w

"[Broadcasting] is what I love to do," MacLeod

said. "Doing play-by-play is what gets me going and gets me out of bed."

Scott MacLeod for years has been a model professional in the broadcasting field, and, in 2011, MacLeod was recognized for his contribution to the GC sports community when he was inducted into the GC Sports Hall-of-Fame.

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ISAIAH SMITH, CO-SPORTS EDITOR
CHRIS LAMBERT, CO-SPORTS EDITOR*Continued from page 11...*

Despite his extensive contribution to the program, MacLeod was still humbled and surprised when he received the honor.

"It was a shock, I didn't expect that," said MacLeod. "You do the job you're supposed to do, and you don't expect the accolades."

MacLeod's rapport goes well beyond personal achievements, as he has touched many lives in his time at GC.

Maurice Smith, GC's head coach of women's basketball, got to know MacLeod as a player for the men's basketball team and now has the pleasure of working with MacLeod as part of the coaching staff.

Smith was noticeably upbeat when talking about MacLeod, describing him as a "great friend" and the "ultimate professional."

MacLeod has made a massive impact on the GC sports community, but GC has also left a lasting impression on MacLeod.

"Even after 40 years, you're still here wanting to do the best job you can each day," MacLeod said.

"Georgia College has been a big part of my life obviously."

"Scott is a Bobcat, he bleeds it, loves Georgia



Isaiah Smith / Staff Photographer

***"Broadcasting is what
I love to do. Doing play-
by-play is what gets me
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of bed."***

-Scott MacLeod

College," added Smith. "[There's] nothing he wouldn't do for Georgia College."

Sam Jones, a graduate assistant for the sports information office at GC, spoke very highly of MacLeod having known him for more than three years.

"He's one of the best I've been around," Jones said. "To have that kind of connection with a small college like this, I think that's really special for a broadcaster to do."

MacLeod's experience in the broadcasting field rubbed off on Jones, who has worked with MacLeod broadcasting games for GC. "I've picked up so much from being around him and listening to what he does and seeing how he prepares for the game and how he's able to paint a picture," said Jones.

Even after 40 years, MacLeod's passion is unwavering, and he remains dedicated to working for this small community. MacLeod speaks of the GC community with such fondness, and everyone at GC who knows him couldn't say a negative thing about him.

When asked about the amount of work that MacLeod has done for GC, Smith was amazed that Scott could keep it up for this long, with such a high level of commitment and energy.

"For him to be running rampant so much, it's amazing how he never lacks energy," Smith said. "He is full of energy and full of life. His enthusiasm rubs off on us."

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GC cross country buoyed by team chemistry



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With the postseason on the horizon, the women's team is hoping to continue improving like they have done all season.

Isaiah Smith
Co-Sports Editor

Coming off successful regular seasons, both the GC men's and women's cross country teams are readying for the upcoming conference and regional races.

At this point in their seasons, Cary said that both teams are in the peak phases of their training and are focusing on running their best at the PBC Championships on Saturday and the NCAA Southeast Regional on Nov. 4.

On the men's side, Bobcats' head coach Steven Cary said he feels good about his team's progress at this point in the season, but there are also some things the team must figure out before heading into the postseason.

"For us right now, it's about mindset," said Cary. "The theme all season has been to give yourself an opportunity at the end of the race to do something big, and the same thing can be said about the season as a whole. We're just trying to give ourselves an opportunity when we go to Columbus next weekend. Part of that is having the right mindset."

Sophomore runner Collin Silliman

echoed Cary's approval of the team's progress at this point in the season, and he also added that he thinks the team is in a good spot going forward.

"I think the team is starting to buy in at a good time in the season," Silliman said. "We've had some mishaps, but I think the team is really starting to buy in to this idea of a collective unit."

Along with having the right mindset heading into the postseason, Cary also said that the men's team will be challenged with finding its identity as they head into the season's home stretch.

"Some teams have a group of really good runners at the top, but it kind of fizzles out toward the back" Cary said. "And then you have other teams that run together and finish high up in the standings. We're trying to figure out if we're one of those because we've got to do it together."

But despite not having one guy who consistently finishes at the front of the pack during races, Cary said the Bobcats have several leaders who push the team to be its best every time out.

"The Silliman brothers, Collin and Brennan, have both been up there consistently, and so has Shawn Olmstead," Cary said.

Cary also praised Matt Sutton, a fifth-year senior who has overcome injuries in his time with GC and has finished in the top seven in a few races this season.

But for Collin Silliman and the Bobcats, the simple goal of competing is what the team is focusing on as it heads into the PBC Championships.

"Individually, I think making all conference and all region is a good goal to have to begin laying the groundwork for next year," Silliman said. "But for the team, I hope we compete. That's the main goal, along with exceeding the seeding they have for us because I think they've been seeding us a lot lower than we should be."

For the Bobcat women's team, Cary said he has seen steady improvement since they stepped onto campus in the fall.

"We've got a lot of freshmen and sophomores up front pushing each other," said Cary of the women's team. "They've gotten faster each race, so if that trend continues, we ought to be doing well Saturday."

Despite getting production from several young runners, the Bobcats have been led by senior Katherine Yost, who has finished first in each race for the Bobcats and smashed several records.

"Katherine is more of a leader by example," said Cary. "The ladies on the team look up to her and aspire to be her, and that can really change a program."

As a veteran leader for an otherwise young team, Yost attributed the success she's had this season to a somewhat unconventional training routine over the summer.

"I didn't do the training that my coach gave us to do because I'm on an Ultimate [Frisbee] team in Atlanta during the summers, but I think that's just as intense as the training from my coaches," said Yost. "When I got here, I ran my fastest time-trial in the 5K, and that's all Ultimate."

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success to the progression of the younger runners buying in to what the coaches have been teaching.

“We have some really good freshmen, and a lot of our sophomores have picked up their training from last year and just killed it this season,” Yost said. “We have a really deep team, and everybody is pushing each other.”

At the PBC Championships, Cary said the team is looking to

But even with Yost’s individual success, she, like Cary, attributes the team’s

finish in the top four or five this year and improve on last year’s sixth place finish.

Yost said she also wants to do everything possible to help the team reach its goals for the season, but she also has other lofty goals for herself going into the postseason.

“I would like to win the conference, and I’m pretty positive I’ve already raced everybody in the conference, so if I can just keep doing what I’m doing I think I have a great shot,” Yost said. “And at the regional meet, I want to finish in the top three and get an outright individual spot to nationals. It would be really cool if my team made it, but personally I would like to get an outright spot.”



Photo Courtesy of GC Sports Information

The men’s team is looking to perform better than their ranking says they should in the upcoming postseason meets.

ESPORTS INAUGURAL SEASON STARTS FRIDAY

In their preseason game, GC esports took down Francis Marion University 2-0 in a best-of-three series and look to bring that success into the regular season starting Friday.

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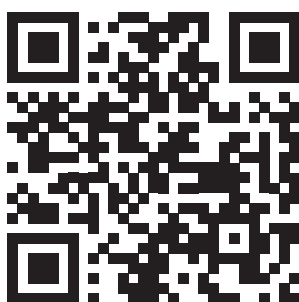


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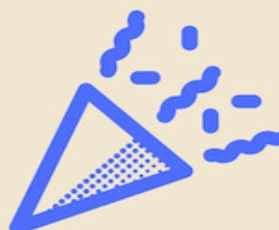
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READY AND ROOTED

Locals and downtown businesses prep for annual Deep Roots Festival

McKenzie
Julian
Staff Writer

The annual Deep Roots festival is always highly anticipated by GC students and Milledgeville residents. As one of the biggest festivals in

middle Georgia, Deep Roots attracts thousands of residents from all over the state.

Junior Erin Dickman, a liberal studies major, runs the social media for the festival. In order to properly run the social media, Dickman had to conduct research on the bands.

“You have to find much from the band, something that’s popular, know a bit about them and make sure you’re saying everything right,” Dickman said.

Bands this year include Rainbow Kitten Surprise, Muddy Magnolias and Drivin N Cryin. Dickman believes this is one of the most popular years for the festival as there are many well-known bands rather just one or two.

“I think they finally just got this perfect, well-rounded group of bands to encompass everyone in Milledgeville,” Dickman said.

With this lineup, local businesses can expect large crowds. For many restaurants, Deep Roots is the single busiest day of the year. Many restaurants are taking extra steps to prepare for the busy weekend.

The Brick is preparing by scheduling more waiters, hosts and kitchen staff. Additionally, the restaurant will be using buzzers this year in hopes that the lines will run more efficiently, according to Anna Williams, the front-of-the-house manager.

Williams, a Milledgeville native, looks forward to the festival. “[It’s] a chance for everybody to see the town,” Williams said. “It’s a great thing for the city of Milledgeville to do. It brings a lot of people in.”

Local Yolka will open and close one hour later than normal to better serve the influx of customers. Owner Cliff Charnes stated that since the restaurant does not stay open as late as other restaurants, they will focus on serving the population over the entire weekend rather than focusing solely on Saturday.

“Our Sunday of Deep Roots weekend is just as busy as our Saturday,” Charnes said. “We end up doing really well when you look at it as a weekend as a whole.”

Charnes also believes that the popularity of the bands will bring in even more people, which is important to business.

For new vendors such as Cravings, this will be their first Deep Roots festival as a business. Owner Don Pez looks forward to the experience. “It’s the best advertisement around the area,” Pez said.

Cravings, the only vendor to provide bubble tea, hopes that its unique menu will attract customers. In addition to bubble tea, Cravings will serve authentic food such as egg rolls and barbecued steak.

Deep Roots will be held in downtown Milledgeville on Saturday, Oct. 21.



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Oct. 21, 10 a.m. - midnight

Tickets:

Pre-sale: \$6 for individual
Gate admission: \$8 individual, \$6
each for groups of 4 or more
After 5 p.m.: Individual \$15

Many downtown businesses are getting ready for the upcoming Deep Roots festival by adjusting hours and offering specials for the influx of customers.

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JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Bands from all over the country are soon coming to play just around the corner from you

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With Deep Roots just around the corner, bands are packing up and heading out to play our most anticipated annual event here in downtown Milledgeville.

Milledgeville Mainstreet always brings the heat when booking for the festival's concert. With previous acts such as Perpetual Groove, The Dirty Guv'nahs and last year's headliner Judah and the Lion, Milledgeville Mainstreet never disappoints, and this year's lineup won't break that streak.

Five bands are set to perform at this year's Deep Roots Festival. The concert will start in the late afternoon with McCook & Martin.

Dusty McCook and Richard Martin are a southern alternative rock duo from middle Georgia who play together in a band called Free Lance Ruckus. They describe their sound as if Bob Dylan and Brad Nowell had a child, and if Frank Zappa and Johnny Paycheck had a child, and the two offsprings mated.

Safe to say, this band has many influences and will have a diverse show.

Next up will be Trae Pierce and the T-Stones. Trae Pierce is a four-time Grammy award-winning bassist and a former member of world-famous band the Ohio Players, Trae Pierce has put together a group of young musicians who produce hard-edge funk and hip hop fused with rock.

Georgia Music Hall of Fame inductee Drivin N Cryin is next on the lineup. Formed in Atlanta, Georgia in 1985, this rock band has released over 16 albums and has been non-stop touring in the southeast for over 30 years. Their rock sound has put them on stage with world-renowned acts such as Lynard Skynard, Sonic Youth and Neil Young.

Lead singer and guitarist Kevn Kinney said this about Drivin N Cryin's sound: "We are a band that's like your record collection."

Their name is a direct reflection of the eclectic nature of their sound, Kinney said. A little driving and rock-and-roll mixed with a bit of country twang. The band said they have an

arsenal of songs and a full tank of gas.

Following Drivin N Cryin is alternative soul duo Muddy Magnolias. Made up of vocalists Kallie North and Jessy Wilson, the Nashville born duo has played numerous music festivals like Lollapalooza, Hangout Fest, Austin City Limits and even the CMA Music Festival. The ladies' voices have been described as a melding of city grit and delta dirt.

Finally, headlining the festival is Rainbow Kitten Surprise. Hailing from Boone, North Carolina, Rainbow Kitten Surprise, or RKS, is an alternative rock band with distinct harmonies and introspective lyrics. Some have said they are a mesh of Kings of Leon and Modest Mouse.

RKS was recently on Vh1's show "Make a Band Famous." After the television appearance, the band continued to gain notoriety, landing a spot on Spotify's top 50 chart with their hit song "Devil Like Me."

These five bands are tuning up and ready to hit the Milledgeville stage very soon.



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